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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement dated 10/28/2005, applicants hereby elect without traverse the invention of Group III, claims 1-9, 13 in-part drawn to compounds and composition.

Applicants further elect for searching purposes the following species:

Third compound, page 30, and claim 8 third to last compound.

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to identify the scope of the search in order to facilitate any required deletion of nonelected subject matter and filing of divisional applications. Applicants reserve the right to file in one or more divisional applications any subject matter not allowed in this case under 35 USC 121 without prejudice.

Applicants request rejoinder of method claims 10-12 upon a determination of allowable compound claims.

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